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# NEWS

Tomorrow will see what is hoped to be a series of gigs at the University Union featuring top Sydney and Melbourne bands. This week Sun and Country Radio, who are both from Sydney will be appearing. Country Radio is well known and accepted in Canberra. Sun, a progressive jazz-rock group, are more recently remembered for their concert on the Saturday of Orientation Week. Side attractions include a Sydney light show, poetry readings, stalls, supper, bar facilities, bootleg movies (featuring Jagger), and a gorilla Part of the profits will be allocated to bringing in future bands and the rest will be held in a Nimbin trust fund.

Thieu has 350,000 prisoners. Don't let them be forgotten. Demand their release and observance of agreement.

EMBASSY, CANBERRA. Noon, March 21 – Noon April 1.

VIGIL, S.VIETNAM

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Like to know where your Union fee goes? In the new Union for \$1,100 we will have a push button intercom connecting staff, which according to your Chairman, P.Power will dramatically increase staff efficiency. However the only increase in efficiency will be the pushing of a button compared with the dialing of four numbers on the internal phone system which already connects all places the intercom connects. The money is desperately needed for internal fittings in places such as the music room. The only hope for reason in this matter is that the executive delays action until the Board reconsiders its decision. Sanity could be helped by pushing your friendly board members (Power and Marks who voted for the intercom) faces in.

A. McCredie. • •

Bijedic is probably dead news by the time of publishing this edition of Woroni but there are still several titbits. When he received his nineteen gun salute on arrival 11.10 am last Tuesday. The cavalcade from Fairbairn was a lot better than the Canberra Day parade including pigs of various varieties (of note were those of central European extraction), helicopters, ambulances and assorted other gorrillas. The Lakeside was a hive of activity with members of the public vastly outnumbered by the officers of law. Canberra became a real police state and the trend seemed set, especially with the cops indiscriminantly searching cars and people in the vacinity of the Lakeside

BEWARE! The Drug Squad is extremely active in Canberra at present. Even occasional pot smokers are in danger. One such pot smoker recently paid \$100 for one joint. If busted YOU DO NOT HAVE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS (except name and address) It's very hard for

the cops to pin possession on you if you shut up.

The thinly veiled cop mentioned in last weeks briefs approached two students in the Wellington recently attempting to buy acid and grass. How about the ex-ANU dealer who really made the big time in Sydney. ...Is the Uni being set up for a big bust? Yes, more next issue.

#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

#### A meeting is being held in the Union Bar area on Thrusday 29 March at 8 pm.

The argument about student government has been going on for a long while — there is an inate hostility of most students towards the SRC the last Students' Association meeting I attended, it was an SRC member who actually moved a no confidence motion — much of the motivation being political, I admit.

In 1971 a students' association meeting voted nearly 10-1 to abolish the SRC – the motion was moved and seconded by the President & Vice-President.

The general student population turns out in decreasingly lower numbers to elect their so called SRC and yet – God help us – the SRC is still here – despite a plethora of meetings, committees and motions demanding its abolition or at least complete restructuring.

#### Like most students I despair of ever seeing a dramatic change —

The SRC seems to sit — a smug, unfeeling, monolith – the last cradle of the political infants before they test the claws they develop within, on the outside world, they tend to test them on each other — so the smug monolith is in fact just a toy replica of the crass political institutions of what we see in the everyday world around us — I don't think it can go on like this — "its time" for a change. two consecutive years on the SRC and that all members currently doing so be asked to immediately resign and that no member of this current SRC contest the next SRC elections"

#### What does this achieve -

 i) helps eliminate factions,
 ii) helps eliminate those who think being on SRC is an automatic God given right,
 iii) opens up a continuous flow

of new blood into what is now a moribund body, iv) creates a more democratic

body – more closely related to the Athenian model – if they and the B.L.F. can run on this principle – so should we be able to,

v) it will expose the sincerity of SRC members - will they hang around to help when they no longer have the title?
vi) it will help popularise SRC elections - the masses will at least have somebody different to vote for,
vii) the SRC could become

meaningful to an increasing number of students who now rightly view the SRC as a fissure for political manipulators,

viii) it would give the SRC a semblance of a 'participatory' structure,

ix) it would provide an example for such moribund institutions as other SRC's and of course AUS.

In a way it is a cultural revolutionary suggestion - better from the masses than

The only exception to the no consecutive

rule would be that the SRC President may be a member of the previous SRC but under no account should an SRC President serve a double term.

PS: Richard Refshauge's position is rather a unique position in that he did receive endorsement from the general student body — I for one wouldn't mind exceptionalising him for the rest of the year and then making the rules absolute however this will be up to you, the SRC, the SA, and of course Richard.

Steve Padgham

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#### LABOUR CLUB

Last Wednesday was the scene for one of the most impressive masturbation sessions I've seen. later shown to have the emotional numbers when Andrew Dunstan lost the position of Secretary to the only new face in the group, who did not bother to offer a policy. This was a blatant snub to Dunstan who left soon after the election.

The remainder of the meeting consisted of setting up a sort of tutorial situation where members could sprout their revolutionary beliefs to perhaps be combined with tokan mass involvement thru demonstrations. As generally the Labour Club consists of the marginally more aware intellectual, publicschool elite it is not surprising that it has degenerated into this kind of bumf.

Finally to aspiring socialists – stick clear of this lot, you will probably improve your tutorial performance coefficent but your zeal will be blunted forever.

Andrew McCredie

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Woroni contacts knew zy hours in advance of the Murphy raid on ASIO - Meanwhile ASIO goes on its task of doing security checks on ministerial staffs. Difficulties are being experienced with one minister's press secretary who nominated Boto Gould (owner of the 3rd world, Bookstore) and Gough Whitlam (Labor Politician) as his referees. One question ASIO is not asking this year is the old - "um,". er, could you tell us if he/she is a homosexual or not". -The times they are a changing.

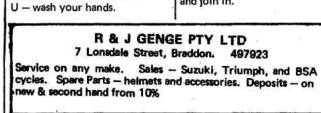
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What's happened to our National U staff? They've all got the clap – so don't forget, after reading your National U – wash your bands Some claim that CTC Channel 7 has more than a passing interest in the Tower project a proprietary interest even seems that the PMG has offered to provide them with a transmission tower which the community will be asked to pay for — that is, only if the community can be conned into thinking the Post Office tower is a good thing.

"Crap", "Bullshit" and "cod's wallop" were the 3 expletives used by James H. Leedman (Liberal) when Woroni suggested to him that the PMG had not been completely honest and open in its Black Mountain report. Leedman moved the "without debate" motion in the Advisory Council that the Black Mountain Tower proposal be uspported. The motion passed by 6 votes to 5 has left the "talk-shop" Advisory Council further discredited as a representative or well advised body. Anne 'I'm the most liberated woman in Canberra' Dalgarno, seconded the motion. Both genuinely believe that they have views generally accpeted by the community - well as they say -truth is stranger than fiction.

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The ANU Folk Music Society provides an opportunity for students to indulge any of their musical fantasies. Thro informal jam sessions we hope to allow students to enjoy music and break down the barriers of performer/audience which at the moment restrict the meaningful communication which music can offer. Depending on what the members wich to do we shall attempt to vary the form of the meetings, Membership is free and there is a meeting on Tuesday 27 March 1pm-2pm in the Union Meetings Room. Come along minus the inhibitions and join in.



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An aside here: I'm not ascertaining individual blame for its continuing presence to anybody.

The current SRC has the opportunity, has the change to show that they are other than political automatums.

While a radical restructuring still seems too difficult to achieve quickly the SRC could and should move a motion that "no member of the Students' Association can serve The ANU Labour Club, which is the Left Alliance takeover of Andrew Dunstan's resurrected Labor Club was having its AGM.

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Dabate was on a high emotional and intellectual level, as firstly an attack was made by David Lockwood on the progressives in the Club (particularly Andrew Dunstan). Lockwood lost the debate, as members wished to keep links with progressive Socialists; but was For complete pharmaceutical services close to campus:-

bill arnold

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#### O'Connor.

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# letters

Of all these issues Mr Benjamin seems unaware. His complaints about "symbolism" and about "unsophisticated presentation of ideas", his claim that somebody told him the play was written for freshers (!), and

his casual pronouncement that "in my opinion a play should be written with an unspecified audience in view", etc., etc., all illustrate the cheerful ignorance with which he set about his work.

Secondly, the theme of the play is not trite or obvious as Mr Benjamin would have us believe, but highly controversial. Criticize marriage as an institution, and most people's hackles go up. When the ABC were interviewing us we were asked to answer a series of highly aggressive questions sent down by one of their interstate staff who had merely heard that some young man had written a play "attacking marriage"; and we even had trouble with one of the cast who, when he understood what the play was about, refused to speak certain lines.

The truth is that, in practice if not invariably in theory, the acceptance of marriage as allbut-inevitable, and of the various quasi-religious cults and rituals (cf. Germaine Greer's analysis) surrounding the wedding ceremony, is still as strong as ever. Even university-educated people in this respect constitute no exception to the usual social patterns of marriage and suburban domesticity - they merely postpone them for a few years longer. If Mr Benjamin doubts this I suggest he keeps an eye on the careers of his acquaintances over the next five or six years.

So perhaps a play which sets up counter-propaganda against the usual pressures for marriage might be worthwhile, or even badly needed; in fact it is possible that Mr Benjamin's angry review is itself an example of the strength of the prejudices that have to be fought. His anger clearly goes beyond anything which a wasted evening could justify; and in fact he conceeds, "reluctantly", that the performance was in fact well received. He concentrates on the play, and not the production, yet never clearly states its theme; and his criticisms are mainly personal sneers and ad hominem argu-

Foss agrees

#### Brother.

Gay Lib. has been fucked at ANU for a year. Total lack of interest, procrastination on the part of those who have the consciousness and ability to organise meetings and a veritable bevy of closets infiltrating the campus from the Union right down to the Halls, makes ANU a radical gay desert. I sympathise with you and your complaints. The only thing that I can say is to hold out and visit us at 67 Glebe Point Road, Glebe when you're next up in Sydney. Something can be done at ANU but it requires some real shit stirring and radical gay persistence.

It you want some fucks just hang around Bruce Hall or John XXIII for awhile. The spangles are inches thick on the floor.

Love, Paul Foss.



Dear Editor,

God is dead and the Jesus Freaks are very sick.

Jack Growford.

How to Get the Most Out of Canberra Whilst Spending the Least Money and Suffering

# criticise courses

Sir.

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As you and many of your readers are no doubt aware, the full Board of the SGS last year vetoed proposals (put forward by one of its own committees) which were intended to improve teaching in the university. Members of the Board, as well as a few other members of the staff, took particular exception to two of those proposals, viz: that lectures should be (1) audited by a committee of staff colleagues; and

that there should be a (2)regular sampling of students' opinions about the quality of teaching, in the form of a detailed questionnaire on courses and teachers, to be administered by the University inself.

The results of both the auditing and the questionnaire were to have been made available to (a) the teacher concerned, (b) his head of department, and (c) the Promotions Committee.

Students themselves seemed to be generally in favour of these proposals. It has also been argued that most staff members approved of them, since so few accepted the invitation, open to all, to disapprove.

As one of the few who expressed strong support for the Committee's proposals which were turned down by the Board, I have two suggestions to make to the student body as a whole and to WORONI in particular:

that in the absence of a (a) university-administered questionaire, the Students' Association should take it upon itself to organise, regularly each term and semester, a fair but searching questionnaire on students' opinions of their teachers' ability and of the courses they attend; WORONI could publish results of these surveys;

They could cover a single lecture or a series given by the same teacher, or by a series of teachers. They should be serious and not scurrilous in intent. They could be accompanied by comments from the teacher on the opinions of the reviewer. I feel that a series of lecture-reviews of this sort, given a responsible editorial policy, could be of value to students and teachers alike. I hope it would stimulate both to be better at their jobs, more understanding of each other's difficulties, and more helpfully critical of aims and achievements.

**James Grieve** Senior Lecturer Department of French

#### The Editor,

Andrew Benjamin's angry review of my play The Cure of the Ring in last week's Woroni invites some further answer in addition to Alan ed in the same issue.

Irritating though unfavourable reviews can be to those who have worked at writing, staging, or acting plays, no one as a rule bothers to guarrel with crits that are simply unkind or unsympathetic. The ones that should be answered, though, are those which are demonstrably the result of ignorance or prejudice.

Obviously, it is not for me to judge whether my own play (in which I am aware of a number of faults) is successful or not; but I can point out the two basic facts about it, which could hardly be deduced from the reviewer's account.

Firstly, Cure of the Ring is a piece of street-theatre; and, secondly, it is concerned with a quite unusually radical viewpoint, involving a direct attack on the present institution of marriage, and in particular on the social pressures that make it almost inescapable for most people. From these two points certain considerations follow.

those of conventional drama. When you take to the streets you have to leave behind almost everything that depends on a respectful audience or on the absence of distractions. Thre is no curtain or scenery The audience is all around you; If you use dialogue you must not rely on any particular phrase or line being heard. It's no use setting up subtle chracterizations, or complex situations. Everything must be kept as simple and visual as possible. A soldier and a peasant woman must represent a whole war situation; or an interchange between a politician and a clergyman must represent the power of religion in society.

# ring

Gould's response which appear-

Firstly, the norms of streettheatre are quite different from and they may choose to heckle.

that WORONI should (b) organise a lecture-reviewing team. Just as newspapers have book-reviewers, theatre-critics, film-reviewers, etc., I feel there is a place in a student newspaper for lecture-reviewers. Reviews could be invited from any student enrolled in a particular course.

concept of putting towers every available elevated spot should bear in mind that these towers pre-dominantly date from the period before unification of the more than 300 Germanic states, that they were erected purely out of necessity for early warning of enemy approach, that they were not of extreme height and built of natural stone thus blending into the landscape without giving offence to the eye.

protest

I really must protest

about the offensive manner

red to German nationals in

in which Steve Padgham refer-

his article on Black Mountain

Tower. As a German, I per-

sonally condemn very strongly

the proposed project on Black

too willing to gather signatures

Mountain and would be only

for petitions all around Can-

berra to save Black Mountain.

One German speaking in fav-

our of the Tower at the

German Nation.

recent meeting held at the

ANU does not represent the

Also Sir Keith Hancock when

talking about the German

Karola Williams.

ments.

Under the circumstances it is difficult to take quite at face value Mr Benjamin's assertions that the play simply bored him with its trite and obvious observations: it is a little too like the people who would have us believe that all they really have against Portnoy's Complaint, Last Tango, or whatever, is that it is so dull and boring and predictable.

Mark O'Connor.

#### the Least Hassles.

For such a book to succeed, however, it must include as many alternatives as possible, including chapters on, Bargains, Escaping, Living, Going Out, Occult, Drugs, Sex, Alterhative/minority/underground groups, Complaints, Jobs, Involvement et al.

Anyone offering information can get in touch with me, Jeremy Slocombe, Alternative Canberra, 38 Elliott Street, Campbell, 2601.

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# Symbol of apartheid Sharpeville anniversary

Remember Sharpville – 69 Blacks killed by white policemen – Support South African Liberation. Oppose Racism – Demonstrate – South African Embassy -Today – 5. PM; The massacre of peaceful African demonstrators at Sharpeville in 1960 against the humiliating pass laws shocked the world and led to the call by the United Nations Security Council for the abandonment of apartheid. It was hoped that international pressure and the "winds of change in Africa", coupled with the growing resistance of the oppressed people inside the country, would induce the South African regime to follow a new course. But the Verwoerd regime chose to embark, instead, on a massive military and police build-up and even more ruthless repression to meet the grave crisis. It enacted the Unlawful Organizations Act, banned the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress, and detained thousands of persons under the State of Emergency regulations. The police broke the nation-wide "stayat-home" protests by the most brutal attacks against Africans in the location. In the Transkei, while the armed forces moved to suppress a peasant revolt, Proclamation R.400 was promulgated to empower the Government to subject any African to arbitrary banishment or indefinite detention without trial.



An African student focusses attention on the crisis in South Africa.

The aim of this article is to help you to a better understanding of how we blacks propose to work to preserve our human worth in South Africa.

To ask the right questions, to encourage a new consciousness and to suggest new forms which express it, are the basic purposes of our new direction.

It is true that the question of race is one which we often find embarrassing; it should rather not be discussed (just as the 'problem' of sex during the Victorian era). "Oh, you see, I love you as a person and it never occurs to me that you are black!" Many people would prefer to be colour blind; to them skin pigmentation is merely an incident of creation. To us it is something much more fundamental; it is a synonym for subjection, the identity for the disinherited, the discarded people and the wretched of the earth.

The South African population consists of some 21 million people. Of these only about 5 million are white. Yet all political and economic power is in the hands of this white minority. They have a right to vote and to be voted to all effective legislative bodies. They monopolise all key positions and centres of power and preferred occupations. Whites are protected by legislation from competition with blacks in the spheres of employment, sport and politics. They appropriate far more than their fair share in educational wealth and other social services and they maintain a wide gap between themselves and other

The so called 'non-white' people are kept in total subjection by the white authority.

It is government policy to keep them in complete separation from one and other. The obvious result is that they have developed prejudices, complexes and suspicion to one and other. They are competing for favours from the powers that be. There is no solidarity among the black people.

Apartheid dogmas provide a context for total discrimination and for denying political power to the majority of the population. It is a policy aimed at the maintenance of white power. The policy towards the 'natives' is an effort to exploit the differences between races, an effort to stir them up to hostility towards one and other,an effort to divide and rule.

This is the naked truth. Government policies are meant to put us in our right places. They are meant to indoctrinate us into believing that we are inferior. That is how I interpret their policy of self determination. To achieve its ends the white power structure rules the black community through local blacks who are responsive to the wishes of their white 'baas'. I submit that they are effectively lost to the struggle for an improved black position in our society.

The first step therefore is to make the black man see himself, to pump life into his empty shell, to infuse him with pride and dignity, to remind him of his complicity in the crime of allowing himself to be misused and therefore letting evil reign supreme in the country of his birth. Black consciousness.

The culture orientation of the black people is influenced by his life style in the black ghettos. We have to generate a "soul force" which will enable us to stay as human beings in these camps. In view of the Government's attempts at developing the cultures of the various ethnic groups as "an arrested image of culture", breaking down the life-thread of black consciousness we must build up a new culture and value orientation so that the priorities and needs of black people can be articulated.

#### Whoever willingly gives up Power?

To hope that change would come through the existing political parties in South Africa, therefore, is only a pipe dream because a political party that appeals to white voters alone invariably makes their claims the touch-stone of policy, plays on their racial antagonism, and consolidates them into a hegemonic block in opposition to the voteless majority.

This is the reality of the South African situation. The black person must realise that he is on his own. We must see ourselves as a unit. Our destiny lies in our own hands. International pressure on its own will not bring about change in South Africa.

It is clear that the establishment will guard against its investments and any chaos that may accompany radical change would threaten these investments.

Multinational companies are determined to keep South Africa stable and economically viable. To Britain, South Africa must be sufficiently armed so that she can faithfully fulfil her role as a defender of the West's naval interests in the Indian Ocean. The white man has to be entrenched in power at all costs and will even use the black man to maintain his supremacy.

There are obvious limitations to the use of power. Education, which is one of the strongest instruments of power tends at the same time to promote a spirit of independent enquiry which is also one of the strongest antidotes against it. Education, all education, opens up horizons. We must work towards the education of all black people.

It becomes clear that before any meaningful and just change of status quo takes place, the black people must reassess their values and standrads. They must be deeply rooted in their own being and see themselves as a functional structure. In this way they can better assess and crystalise their goals and aspirations and articulate these in terms of what is best for themselves. This means that black people must build themselves to a position of nondependence on whites.

Blacks only are qualified to determine the means for change. We offer no blueprint for a future South Africa. What is required immediately is a complete overhaul of the system.

BLACK MAN, YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN?

# a twisted little racist ?

BIOLOGIST STATES FACTS: "Australians do not understand the differences between Aboriginals and whites, and inherited behavioural characteristics very different from those of Europeans, and that Australians were trying to impose foreign behaviour patterns on Aboriginals. woolly-minded do-gooders, and the subversives in particular, whose base rests primarily on the postulate that all races are the same, irres pective of colour, culture, ethnic grouping etc. (the Equalitarian Dogma). This is rejected by many of the foremost anthropologists (not social anthropologists, who are trained in social anthropology, a pseudo, and suspect, 'science'.) Scientific anthropologists assert that the differences in thought patterns between white and black races, for instance, are just as varied as

the differences in their respective skin pigmentations.

This does not please the subversives, as to admit this is to admit that a primitive people perhaps would be better off without the white man's voting system, which most white men don't understand fully, anyway. The key point is that if all races, and primitive ones in particular, are regarded as 'equal' in all ways, whatever that means, then these primitive people are ready victims for the white man's political systems, rotten as they have become. What has the white man's 'majority rule' done for

the poor devils in the Congo, Nigeria, Biafra, Zanzibar etc. etc.? Only brought bloodshed and tyranny, and a level

many regard them as 'black white men', a biologist said yesterday."

---The Australian, March 12 The following is from last weeks League of Rights magazine "On Target". Mr Butler, the organization's leader claims **NOT** to be racist.

Professor Boettcher is Foundation Professor of biological sciences at Newcastle University, NSW. He stated on the ABC science programme, "Insight", that Aboriginals We have no doubt at all that this is so: the tragedy is. that the Aboriginals are in the main not benefitting at all from this culture imposition, and even worse, are being used , callously and cynically by subversives as raw material in the planned disruption of the

Professor Barry Boettcher's views will not please the

Australian Society.

of life far lower than the one they had under the 'evil colonialists'. The South Africans are aware of the fallacies of this Equalitarian Dogma because they have lived with the problem for over three hundred years. But of course, the South Africans don't know as much about the problem as any twisted little Marxist misfit spewed out by any of our higher 'seats of learning', with a political science degree taped onto him. We could go on

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#### SUNSET SILHOUETTES

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crawl up to heaven like red and white worms eating the morning sky. the proposed will eat further in through day

laddering across a lower sun in competition with its last rays.

hadn't thought much about the tower. external controversy felt. realized, a little, the defacement of nature involved, but progress has its own facade, we seem to accept. perhaps because it bulldozes its way unchecked, we become accustomed to the whirring of its mighty motor, nurturing its

own 'naturalness'. but, approaching evening, was wandering through the wideness of this town. experiencing shadows stretching on seas of tiny grass blades tinted magic in late light and i turned to the sun, source of my sensing. it shrank away. i screamed.

# black mountain

cast full-face, frozen across its fire, laughed a Tower. 'little ones', iT, leered.

unmoving, 'I bring you tidings of Television ... blue Light into your homes ... why watch wind tossing trees, or birds being free, or stars in a clear night sky ... stay inside and I will reveal all Wonders before your i shrank back. my senses shaking, refusing to make a pact with the cold one, which faded now.

the sun had gone. yet still luminated the underbellies of clouds, still sent rays into the pastels of day. i turned again, most shadows were merging with the ground but one loomed larger.

i'll sign your petitions now. i'll cry that we should stop this birth, don't sanction iTs growth. i believe in the fluidity of nature, the freeness i feel. i don't want to be blocked by a sTone sTatue of sTagnation. joanne scott.

I am grateful that Comrade Salter found the last two paragraphs of my article, "What's left of the left", significant enough to comment on. They consisted of certain proposals which I hope will be developed next year. In this short article I will try to answer his criticisms.

To begin with, I will leave his comments on the relations between the SYA and the campus left to those whom they concern – I would point out however, that they are in basic contradiction of the facts of last year. Similarly, I would think that his statement that the DRU "had no particular objective" would be open to the greatest doubt.

Comrade Saler's main accusation seems to be that I wish to create an 'elite', a 'select band' of 'rigid ideologists' with a 'strict ideological entrance exam' which will 'reject any who do not take the right line'. Referring to my article, what I actually suggested was the formation of a group with a defined role and a firm political orientation, the members of which: "must, in addition, be sufficiently convinced of the correctness of that orientation that they are prepared to defend, and more importantly to build that group."

I do not accept that this constitutes an elite; I do however accept that it could conflict, with certain purist notions of a 'general leftist group'. I will try to set out here why I believe this to be necessary.

For any radical group to be a success on this, or any other campus, it must, I feel establish what its principles are, demonstrate its willingness to act for those principles, and attract students, not by its pleas, but by its effect. In other words, its members must be prepared to build it as a group. Quite obviously for them to do this, they must be fairly committed to the group and its ideals to start with. For this amount of committment to be created, they must be sure of what those ideals are, and be in general agreement with them. Therefore, I think that it is vital for such a group to establish a defined role and political orientation at its beginnings rather than spend all its time agonising over what that role and orientation should be. In the present situation (and in 1974), a radical group should undertake radical work with a clear understanding of why it is doing so; it should not waste its time in fruitless faction shadow-boxing or, as in the case of the Left Alliance, not discuss its reasons at all.

And what does Cde. Salter propose in the place of this "elite"? A "general Leftist group" - welcome back our old friend the united front. For those who don't know, the left at ANU has worked through a united front since the demise of SDS. Such an approach did not work in the latter half of 1971, it did not work last year, and I don't believe that it will work this year - precisely because of the reasons I have set out above. At its meeting last week, the Labour club rejected a motion which would have made it a specifically revolutionary body with a communist group" The result I think will be the

same as for the others. A united front simply cannot generate the amount of committment needed to build a radical group into a success – the approach therefore, should be rejected.

Cde. Salter goes on to say that, "As a general leftist group will undoubtedly be larger than a group with a strict ideological entrance exam, it should therefore be more effective."

I have thought that by this stage we would have rejected the 'numbers equal effectiveness' equation put forward here by Cde. Salter. The radical left at a university is such that it is not and cannot be a mass movement. Our activities meetings, discussions, leaflets, and so on - can only do so much; they cannot convert a majority of students to radicalism. We are a radical cadre and it is the job of cadre to take such action as will arouse the potential of the student mass. Cde. Salter's approach is remarkably similar to the 'base-building' theory, rejected by the American New Left in

the late 1960's. They both propose that we should wait until the majority of students are ready to take radical action before we can do so. This theory has been disproved in practice, since the action of a militant minority can often spur the majority into action. If we are to wait until 51% of the students are ready to move, we will only be furthering the political 'quietness' of ANU which Cde. Salter laments. Seen from this perspective, the actual size of a radical group is relatively unimportant in this regard then, a united front is not only useless but unnecessary.

A radical group of the type I outlined in my original article and have developed here, however small, however 'elitist' in Cde. Salter's eyes, will always, in my view, be more effective than his united front. It's: effectiveness will come from the committment of its members – a committment which only such a radical group can create.

David Lockwood



How a Retired Victorian Schoolteacher brought me back to the True Australian Way.

Jack Waterford

Sometimes it's a pity that rightwing figures are allowed to talk to impressionable freshers; they speak such a plausible line of crap couched McManus at the Union Bar last Wednesday, one would think that the DLP was a great party of principle dedicated to upholding the Australian way; fighting against the pragmatists, and those unable to fight their battles purely. Not a reactionary pressure group, but a dynamic, pure, and responsible party which can take the credit for every bit of social reform

From listening to Senator

#### Parliament.

Witness the 'anti-racist' DLP and its attitude to South Africa, to the Springbok Tour and to the LCP's immigration policies. ad infinitum.

Still Senator McManus should be listened to for two reasons: he is not an idiot and probably believes in what he says, so his policies are doubly dangerous. And, believe it or not, many people actually believe in and endorse the sort of policies he stands for. When he speaks of the dangers of communism, or of the need for a great standing army and national service for all, he is resurrecting a deep-rooted phobia hanging over from Australias own McCarthyite period.

is echoing a puritan streak which exists in the consciousness of every Australian over 40 and quite a few others. If you don't share his ideas, and few do, you should at least accept that those ideas are a stumbling block which will have to be overcome before Australians enter into a real period of social change.

During his speech Senator McManus gave a good impression of how the antisocialist anti-labour, anti-democratic, Democratic Labour Party is going o survive now that the red ho des have succeeded in deludir the Australian people into voting for their puppets. We will certainly obstruct them on matters of principle", he said.

The ALP, says he, will not be looking for a double dissolution. True but, on a matter of principle and with the right issue they will jump at the chance and the DLP would be massacred and knows it. So we can expect a lot of nitpicking but little practical

in such a way that their inconsistancies seem very secondary.

A good right wing figure, i.e. not one of the more laughable fascist right, is doubly dangerous because he shys away from subjects where he is most visibly out of touch and hammers away about his position with great passion, and, seemingly historical evidence for his views. Some of them even sound reasonable (even if they do have a little phobia about defence and the sacredness of the family). in Australia since 1956 and a vanguard fighter against bad and oppressive policies.

It's a lot of bullshit, actually. Even if one was not going to debate DLP 'principles' as such but merely their implementation, one could make a most charming case that principles have been missing from much of their actions of the last few years. Witness the self-styled "original proponents of the 18 year old vote' defeating an ALP bill which would have introduced that reform in the dying session of the 69/72

When he uses Depression terminologies and utilises Catholic teachings about morality, the family, and the corrupting influence of pornography, (he is not a Tyke by the way) he "The DLP's attitude is that the new government is entitled to a fair deal. Where we feel that the government is proposing reasonable legislation or can make out a case that it has a mandate for its policies we will not obstruct them. obstruction when the crunch comes unless the new government has really gone out on a limb.

But the DLP is not a spent force yet. A recent survey showed that it was attracting more support in the 20-30 age bracket than in other areas. Any radical has a long way to go before he can claim that he is making any headway. Perhaps the passing of the DLP will be an indicator of progreand be therefore much awaite After that the Libs, the Australia Party and the ALP.

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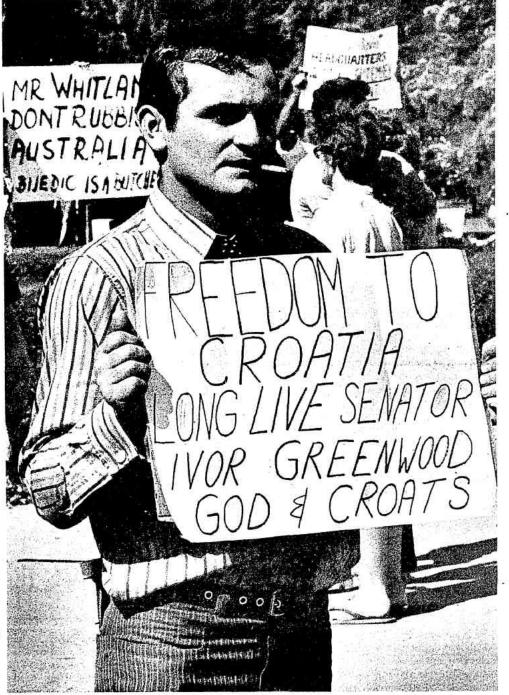
Well now the theory that Canberra is an impotent, sterile metropolis come Sundays is being slowly disjointed.

In the last month we have been entertained by various multi-varied shows, and not one has failed to be a belly full of laughs (or something like that). We have had the Jesus Freaks, the Canberra Day Pop Festival and last weekend one had the much mediapublicised Croatian Demonstration outside Parliament House to display their anger concerning the visit to Australia of one Dzemal Bijedic.

Dzemal is the President of the Yugoslav Legislative Assembly and a member of the Yugoslav Secret Police. The Croatians accuse him of having been for many years in charge of the secret police and therefore criminally responsible for the Yugoslavian concentration camp activities.

The Croatians further believe that Bijedic's Secret Service is active not only on its own ground but also in the activity centres of emigrants. When there is presently about 100,000 people of Croatian descent resident in Australia one can see reasons for paranoia. Recent events relevant to their community has done little to dispel their distrust of the Yugoslavian Secret Police.

Names of Croatian "terrorists" in Australia have been bandied between Australia and Yugoslavia several times in the last year. The Commonwealth Police have been attempting to bust the croats for shooting people up, and raided many houses the last fortnight looking for their shooting gear. There were the impromptu file swapping parties between ASIO and the Commonwealth Police last week And then to really set the scene the Croats claim that 400 Special Police have been admitted to Australia in the last few weeks - it is a fact that one Yugoslavian airliner made a special visit to Sydney last week!



Anyway about 3,000 people descended upon Parliament House lawns last Sunday to give Gough the good word. It was a peaceful turnout. But, one could feel the surge of

Observers were puzzled in this context. Most of the suits belonged to the croatians, but many also looked as though they may well have been concealing a robust chunk of

lip, very stylish sideboards (not one of which was at variance from the ear lobe by more than 1/8 of an inch), all offset by a recent issue of dark glasses.

**Civil Liberties turned out as** usual, and their action although eventually needless, was commendable considering the short notice given to organize an action. They could well have had a heavy job if anyone there had announced they were Yugoslav.

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Hints of terrorism were thinly veiled by various sections of the assembly. Two Ustasha flags were obvious, and although it was hard to understand many of the speeches since I don't speak Croatian when the name Ustasha was mentioned the crowd went wild with cherrs and clapping. What do you reckon Greenwood? Placards were also fair indications of sentiment taking such as "Destroy Yugoslavia;" "Attention! Bijedic has been drinking Croatian blood for 30 years, Thirsty Killers For More Blood."

One speaker gave a rather unusual opinion on the terrorism scene. He said that the Croatians were not terrorists but just a peace loving community. All the terrorism was attributable to the Communists who threw bombs at themselves to discredit the Croats! Enough said.

One banner proclaimed, "Faith in God and Croatian Freedom" Perhaps the Jesus Freaks bullshit fell in more places than just caking the library lawn.

Of course the labour government received their share of criticism. We were told that "Whitlam was rubbish" in no uncertain terms by one foreign looking gent. Another said that the Croatians would never vote for Whitlam again, but I doubt whether Gough will lose much sleep over losing the Fascist vote, (that is if he ever had it).

One of the more interesting conversations overheard was between a bloated constable and eight very young Croatian kids. He told them that he stopped the traffic on Division Four and that he was specially

The best description of the underflowing intent of the demonstration was contained in one of the handouts, "We wish to remind the Govern-

national spirit and solidarity in these people, however one could also feel and see a simmering agressiveness in many of the croats.

It was also a colourful turnout. The twenty or so redwhite-and-blue flags were neatly offset by the friendly smiles and dapper blue uniforms of about one hundred and fifty of Canberra's finest. Several of the crowd exhibited themselves in Croatian national dress, but the most prominent dressage was that of the time honoured neatly tailored, discreet suit.

Yugoslavian blood and bone. An interlude for a chuckle was natural at the time when confronted by any of the multitude of pigs in suits. Things must have really been turned upside down in the ASIO echelons since Dec. 2. Leniency has been displayed in what is presumed to be a new set of dress regulations making these innocent shadows even more incognito. Virtually ever agent spied was looking like a new man this last years demos - resplendent in collar touching I-came-back style haircuts, uniform moustaches curving a firm upper

Surprisingly the Drug Squad Follies were not booked, however Raymond is about due for three weeks holidays after a rather energetic two weeks, and Les was in Sydney for the weekend.

Placards were everywhere in the correct demonstration strategy. They displayed some very interesting slogans, such as - "Down Tito, down Yugoslavia", carried by two four-year olds; "Nacizm (their spelling) and fascism are sworn Croatian enemy"; "Yugoslavia: the prison of peoples"

ment that they have a duty for their (own) protection in effort to preserve peace in Australia".

Can you read between lines?

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(D. I. MacLEAN) Secretary and Executive Officer

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# Nimbin 73

A further installment about the Festival at Nimbin, May 12 - 21.

Once you've decided to go to the Festival you're going to have a few problems to surmount:

How will you get there?

When you get there what sort of shelter do you want?

What are you going to eat there?

How much will it cost you?

Probably one of the most popular ways of living at the Festival will be in tribes. Lots of people will be going to the Festival with their friends in tribal groups. The tribe is a self-contained, self-supporting self-accommodating unit, ideally of about 15-20 people.

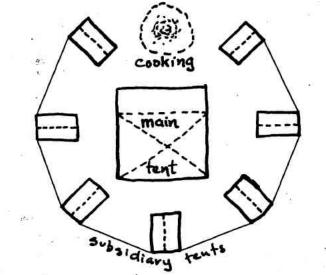
When you get there you'll find an incredible environment of people and facilities to do anything that takes your fancy: Cooking, Media, Shelter, Healing, whatever. The essence is spontaneity! Whatever you can do, do it, show anyone that's into it what you can do, rave to people. The facilities that you read about in the whole Earth Catalog will be at the 'Whole Earth Survival Show". How will you live if you move out into the country? Go to the Festival and find out. Ideas and techniques for survival inside and outside the established community, on your own or as part of a communeity. It is up to you to be able to participate, to give of yourselves, to learn and to love with everyone at the Festival.

What are the realities of all this? On Thursday 29 March there will be a meeting in the Union Bar area of everyone interested, in any way, in coming to the Festival. Some of the things to be discussed will be:

TRANSPORT to and from the Festival. Try to avoid bringing your car — you won't need it and it will be very expensive and anti-environment. Hitch up there if you can or take a bus to Brisbane and hitch from Brisbane. Best bet: a chartered train from Melbourne — Sydney — Lismore. Join the train at Yass. Getting there is part of the Festival!

The important thing is that however you get there enjoy youselves without wreaking too much damage on the environment.

SHELTER. What are you going to live in at the Festival? There won't be any houses (or motels) available so you'll need your own shelter. If you're into domes or other kinds of building work something up to take with you. But remember it needs to be portable. The easiest shelter is of course a tent, or a group of tents.



A meeting to discuss the Fest-

ival will be held on Thursday March 29 in the Union Bar

area at 8 PM.

A tentative set up for a tribe- group.

What's needed is a place to live with you're own people open to others, capable of keeping you out of the rain (we hope it doesn't rain, of course!) that maintains the wholeness of tribe.

FOOD. What will you eat? For a weekend Pop Festival you might be able to survive on hamburgers, but ten days of hamburgers and chips won't do your health any good. Besides they are the product of antiecology. The food you eat needs to be whole foods/natural foods – brown rice, vegetables, fruit, home made bread, musesli. Communal cooking and eating facilities will, hopefully, be provided, but these are very easily overloaded. Bring your own cooking utensils and eating utensils; be able, as a group, to cook for each other over open fires using camp ovens or large cooking pots. Bring your own needs in nonperishable foods (i.e. foods that don't need refrigeration), like rice and cereals. Most perishables - vegetables, milk fruit etc. will be provided, on sale, at the site; probably in a market.

Cooking can be an incredible trip, let your creativity flow and learn how to feed yourselves and your friends in ways that are really liked.

COSTS. The Festival is going to cost you a bit in money, time and energy, but every cent you spend should be worth it. Don't go overboard, with sophisticated camping/ cooking equipment for example. It will cost you money to get there. It may cost money to actually attend the Festival, but nobody really knows yet. If you go as a tribe, budget all your expenses and spread them out over the group. Do everything that's necessary as economically as possible, con equipment where you can, make your own where you can't.

The meeting will cover these aspects of the Festival. Other things will be participation in the Festival in performance and media, etc. If you've got some groove that you'd like to introduce others to come to the meeting and talk about it. Think about what I've written about here and bring along your ideas for airing. If you've already got a group together to go to the Festival tell us about it and what problems you have and how you're solving them. Bring your thoughts and ideas to the meeting, talk to your friends about it, and we'll see you there.

# POETRY

#### METROPOLIS

Great shafts of concrete and glass plunging wrench and grip the poor earth clouding out sky and stars

Poor man

like worker-ant scurrying through dustbowl corridors unwittingly created far below where day is turned to night night to day in half world Of eerie light punctured

#### Subconcious Signature

Days clatter monotonously like old movies, on tram tracks shuttling Silence buzzing, maddening bounding through the confines of the brain. Park bench mentality, slumbering feeding pigeons of despair; small hopes that gather there; slivers of truth, of forgotten talent blown up to rationalize the failure to create.

Through glass bars on window ledges pigeons blink incredulous at bloated ink stained blotters. The hands that make those blue patterns might have been, could have been Picasso's.

#### **Organisation Man**

Shooting your mind down dusty corridors of bitumen, playing games amongst the high-rise, bleeding genes into gutters that leaves are sometimes blown into.

#### **Public Examination**

for Kaye Cunningham and John McGrath.

Quietness. A woman supervisor pacing from desk to desk hands out blotters like hymnals, each one white and perfect.

Fingers tapping on the desks. My eyes are fixed straight ahead on the blackboard. I do not dare to turn.

Good luck Bob. Good luck. Biro. Foolscape. Shelley. Hail to thee, blithe Spirit!

ENGLISH: THREE HOURS Our Father which art in heaven Ten minutes for Perusal

Kevin Hart

#### WIFE

A wife is one who understands The endless cares a man demands Who finds pyjama's on the floor And hangs them on the closet's door. Who hunts his socks and studs on ties And hangs them beneath his eyes. A wife is one by duty bound To think her husband most profound For once she puts his follies out For days the dear old thing will pout.

Though fully grown she comes to see That still in much a child is he. He must be babied, potted and pleased

And never criticised or teased. And when he has an aching head

With tenderness be put to bed. This is a wisdom wise and true

by scrabble scrawl of neon sprawl tail-light telegraph and muted roar of toxic tailpipe

Day-end siren shrieks departing hour signal for the suburbs to prepare to synchronise early morning clocks

A short pause and finally electric stars blink down upon sluggish yellow-white zippered streets. The city sleeps Inside your steel statues of liberty, signposts to the sea you march like lemmings straitjacketed in mindless security.

The whir, hum and clank of your metal monsters drowns out the doubts you might have had Supremely confident in metallic motivation egocentric efficiency, you cover the good clean earth with the panacea, plastic syrup of your society.

R.M.Whitington

#### Hers is a job no man can do!

(Tuckings)

#### MAKE ME COFFEE

Moods, what would you have me say of moods? She came sudden like, and took away my matches But she was pale as a knife spoke like taut wire, stopped my laugh abrupt when she left I choked, choked on burning coffee and the teaspoon clattered Her words were soft as she snapped open and I left her my coffee, moods change I couldn't mend ten years of tears by changing the record, now could I?

Nick Richardson.

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#### AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

#### ELECTION OF

#### STUDENTS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Nominations are hereby called for the 1973 Students Representative Council.

#### **Positions Are:**

(6)

Eight	(8)	General Representatives
Light	101	General Representatives

- Part-time Representative One (1)
  - Course Representatives: one each for:
    - Arts Law Economics **Asian Studies**

Science

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#### Note:

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1. A candidate cannot nominate for more than one position as Faculty or Part-Time Representative, but may in addition nominate for General Representative.

2. A candidate must be a student enrolled in that Faculty, or as a Part-Timer, to be eligible to stand for and in that election. 3. Nominations must be signed by two persons eligible to vote in the relevant election, meaning that they must be enrolled in the relevant Faculty or as a Part Timer.

4. Any two persons may nominate a General Representative. 5. All candidates and nominators must be financial members of the Students' Association.

6. Nominations must be placed in the locked ballot box in the

SRC Office before close of nominations. 7. Copies of the Electoral Regulations are available in the SRC Office for your perusal.

Nominations will close on Wednesday 28th March at 5.00 pm. in the SRC Office.

#### Llew Morris Returning Officer.

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY UNION

#### NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

In accordance with Clause 16, Section 2 of the Constit-1. ution I give notice that it is necessary to hold a by-election of three members of the Union Board of Management by the general membership of the Union.

Persons eligible to vote are every ordinary and life mem-2. ber of the Union, except a person suspended from membership under Section 9, sub-section 2, of the Constitution during the period of his suspension.

3. There are three seats to be filled, vacated by the resignations of Mr V.K. Bhalla, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. D. Spratt. The members elected will hold office until 31st July, 1973.

4. I invite nomination of persons for election. Each person nominated must be an ordinary or life member of the Union, unless his eligibility has been rendered invalid by Section 2, para. 8 of the Election to the Union Board of Management Rules.

5. Nominations must be made on a form prescribed and available from the Secretary and shall be signed by at least two members of the Union eligible to vote at an election and shall contain a written statement of the nominee's willingness to act if elected.

Nominations must reach me by 5 pm. on Friday, 6th April, 1973. They should be delivered to my office in the Union or posted to the Retruning Officer, The Australian National University Union, Box 4, P.O. Cnaberra, ACT. 2600. In either case the envelope should be clearly endorsed Nomination for byelection.

#### SRC NOTES

**Examinations Seminar** Despite the low interest so far shown in the Examinations Seminar by students, the SRC plans to organise a shorter programme on Thursday 5 April in the Copland Lecture Thetre. Professor Dick Johnson (Classics, SGS) will speak on the present system and Professor D.A.Low (Director, **Research School of Pacific** Studies) will outline some work he was involved in at Sussex University into new forms of assessment. It is also hoped that a speaker will discuss the good and bad aspects of continuous assessment and a student will put the examinees' points of view. Please note the date in your diaries, as this could be a most important seminar for all students.

#### Semesters

A survey is to be conducted in the near future to gauge student opinion on the semester system. The Board of the School of General Studies has proposed that the whole of the School should operate under a semester calendar, that is two "terms" of sixteen weeks (with a one-week mid-semester break) and a five week holiday in

the middle of the year to replace the May and August holidavs.

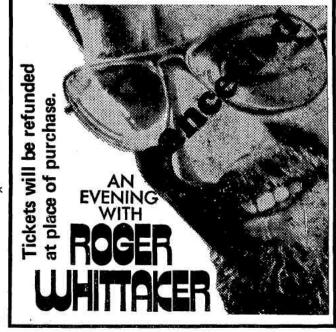
The concern of the Students' Association has been two-fold. Firstly, we feel that the elimination of May and August holidays will adversely affect some units which make good educational use of the two holiday periods and also that the longer period will burden students too much.

Secondly, we believe that the introduction of the semester calendar will inevitably lead to a growth of teaching in terminal semester units. This is seen as undesirable for a whole host of reasons, though, obviously, there are advantages in some areas.

A good discussion of the merits and demerits of the semester system is to be found in the ANUSA and Research Students' Association joing submission, copies of which may be obtained from the SRC Office. Please collect one if you are interested.

Second-hand Bookshop For these students who have vet to find it, the SRC is again operating a secondhand book exchange. The shop is situated on the lower ground floor of the old Union building, and is still looking for books to sell.

The exchange sells the books on your behalf, for a 10 %



#### C.A.C. ELECTIONS

The CAC is the Cultural Affairs Committee of the Students' Representative Council and the co-ordinating body for cultural clubs on campus.

Nominations are hereby called for five general positions and one first year representative on the Committee. Nominations need not be on any particular form but must be signed by proposer and seconder and carry a declaration that the candidate is willing to act if elected. Any member of the Students' Association, Research Students' Association, the Academic Staff or the Non-Academic Staff may propose or second a nomination and any person may be a candidate.

Nominations close at 5pm on Friday 23 March and voting will take place on 3, 4, 5 April at various locations on campus to be advised. Any person interested in assisting the Returning Officer to man the polling booth is requested to call at the SRC Office.

Richard Refshauge, Returning Officer.

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AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY SPORTS UNION NOTICE OF MEETING

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Sports Union will be held on Wednesday, 28 March, 1973, in the Physics Lecture Theatre S.G.S. commencing at 8.00 pm.

7. A list of persons qualified to vote and the relevant provistions of the Union Constitution and the Election to the Union Board of Management Rules may be consulted at my office and will be made available to any member on request.

E.C. de Totth, Secretary To The Union.

26th March, 1973.

Please note all meetings of the Board will be held on Mondays.

commission, which pays for (student) labour, losses, etc. Although no responsibility is accepted, every care is taken and the shop sometimes pays out for lost books,

There are still good texts available, so if you are short of cash, please visit the shop. And if you have books that you really don't need, remember this profitable way of disposing of them.

Neil Gray Executive Secretary

#### AGENDA

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Confirmation of minutes. 1. (a) Apologies. (b) **Business Arising From Minutes.** Presentation of Annual Report. Declaration of Election. General Business (i) Honorary Life Membership. Dr. M.J.Aston nominated. Constitution Amendments. (ii)

Any Other Business.

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# break the rules...

Single parents with children to rear, whether they have to, or want to, work, do not have TIME to develop their abilities. further their training or participate in the workforce, outside the guarantined conditions of suburbia, unless they BUY TIME: For male or female it is a FEMININE role and as such, what results? This society and its universities are primarily concerned with the PRODUCTIVITY of people, rather than their humanity i.e. if you invest X amount of money in a person (wage, education, health needs etc.) what sort of maximum return can you get back. Rearing children in a very few other societies is considered important. But in our incomed, profit motivated, capitalist society, which puts emphasis on financial productivity - what do you have - those who are least "productive", receive the least benefits (by benefits I include here, food, shelter,

medicine, education, justice i.e. basic survival needs) - The value of the other so called blessings that money can bring is entirely questionable, too but that's another whole argument - who are the least productive? The aged, the sick, the spastic, the least skilled. school children, mothers, babies, toddlers. So one of the greatest rip-offs of all is the financially non-productive function of rearing the young. What exists is a slave cast (non-paid, dependent on male or state goodwill) of women performing one of society's most vital functions for nothing and this role is media-fed by innumer= able romantic myths built around the sanctity of motherhood, and idealism of the fémale role. Male talent is freed to flower unbridled by the paraphanalia of survival meals, washing, etc. as God said to Adam. Eve shall be your help-mate." The years have elaborated on this to incredible proportions: - the emotional half of the rational male: ego fodder roles: etc.

Of course there is no way out of it. The role is uniform and if a woman feels her growth needs being shifted by the stringent conditions of the job (isolation in the acres of little boxes – take a look at Green Valley sometime) – if this happens it is easier to take drugs (women consume 5,000 tons of pills a year in Australia) than to try and confront the either or choice (threat)

i.e. become a male worker be productive and you pay someone else to do the child rearing (equal pay — ha!) And then there's the even worse non-choice, vice-like situation when family income is so short that mothers and wives are forced to work in jobs even more soul-destroying (ever seen a female-skill curve) than the unpaid housewife job. After childcare it may only mean an extra \$10 per week – and she will still have to work at the other 'invisible' job as housewife, before and after work – (makes the 8 hour day a joke).

The main thing about both these situations is that women are made to feel guilty, "place in the home" "what are you doing to your children" syndrome.

Note also how trade unions have regarded women as fill-ins i.e. you'd better get equal pay so as not to depress male wages don't dare take up potential male jobs and its a pity women have to work.

So we are left in a corner. You can try living communally and working part-time, but most people's minds have been so distorted by their own nuclear upbringing that this makes for individualist thinking rather than co-operative effort and part-time work is very hard to get. **H.S.** 

# so much for law reform

A South Australian woman died recently through being refused a legal abortion.

This was revealed today by the director of forensic pathology at the South Australian Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science, Dr Colin Manock.

The woman, 20, and single came from a small country town. She died several months ago from an embolism when particles of placenta entered her bloodstream. The woman underwent an illegal operation but it was not successful in terminating her pregnancy. She had died four days afterwards when she was about 18 weeks pregnant.

Dr Manock said that had she been referred to a gynaecologist it most likely would have been discovered that the child she was carrying was in fact abnormal. The brain of the foetus was on the outside of the head. The autopsy also revealed that the woman had taken a nonlethal but large amoung of barbiturates either as an attempt at suicide or "a cry for help", he said.

Dr Manock said he had revealed the facts behind this case because he hoped they would serve to keep the record straight on abortion.

Publicity had been given to the case of a woman who died after

Dr Manock, who conducted a post-mortem examination on the woman said she went to see a general practitioner about an abortion when she was eight weeks' pregnant.

She had asked for referral to a gynaecologist and reportedly had been told, "You got your-self into this mess now it is up to you to sort it out".

Dr Manock said the woman

then went to Melbourne to get an illegal abortion.

an abortion and this had raised emotional comment.

Until abortion law reform was introduced in South Australia in January, 1970, death as a result of illegal abortion was the most common cause of maternal death in South Australia.

Canberra Times 7 March.

#### CONTACT

ANU at its present size and rate of expansion is a bewildering conglomeration of bureaucracy and institutions that most students find difficulty keeping up with. This aspect of university life by itself poses many problems ranging from the simple ones of locating clubs and places and acquiring up-to-date information, to the more complex ones of individual adjustment to student and university life in general. At some time, most students will emotional

In recent years, similar groups have been organized at other Australian universities, notably Melbourne and Macquarie. Contact, the Melbourne University group, is directed towards the problems already outlined. This group has been in operation for some time and has established itself as a popular and viable venture. It functions both as a simple enquiry office as well as a centre for discussion and help.

The student volunteers are put through a basic training course under the guidance of the university counselling service though the counsellors do not direct this student service. The students involved are mainly later-year students who are familiar with the range of difficulties that the students encounter. The students encounter. The student-orientation and basis of contact is of extreme importance. For example, particular allowance would be made for the large proportion of students who live in the Halls and Colleges.

The success of this project will depend on active student involvement. So all interested students, or those who may have suggestions of any sort, are asked to please give their names to: CONTACT, c/- SRC Office.

If you have any consumer co

Michale Cosgrove, Burgmann

Hall. Paul Mauff, Burgmann

College. Gillian Spooner,

Burton Hall.

Garran Hall. Peter Cousins

College. Jenny Bowen, Garran

complaints please contact:

Sigrid McCausland, Pat Griffen.

#### CONSUMER PROTECTION WORKS FOR YOU

Members of the University have complained about the reticence of some members of the bookshop to divulge information about the benefits of Cooperative membership.

In characteristic style, the Student Consumer Protection Society asked for a sign to be mounted. The Bookshop refused. The Society erected one itself last Tuesday morning. By lunchtime it had disappeared. came members, or what they could get if they were nonmembers. The sign was placed outside the Boodshop on Monday, but was gone by Tuesday morning. It was removed, presumably by the Bookshop. We can only ask ourselves why the University Co-operative Bookshop is afraid of students learning about their rights and liabilities as members and non-members? Perhaps they are afraid that when people learn that as a non-member one can get a 10% discount if one is a student, on every book purchased, or that the percentage return from the bookshop has gone down in the last two years from 20%-18%, students may not want to pay the \$5 joining fee. The bookshop would then be without this money which they presumably invest at a high rate of interest. The ANUSCPS and all students should watch the next move of the bookshop (possibly abolition of the 10% discount to non-member\_students) with interest.

personal difficulties for which a ready and sympathetic ear is needed if they are to adjust to the situation, whatever it may be.

A number of interested students, aware that these problems do exist and are causing unhappiness, have come forward with the idea of forming a student-run information and referral centre (possibly situated centrally in the New Union) to deal with student problems.

It is envisaged that the ANU contact centre will be run along the lines of a personal and telephone service Woroni now gives you the text of that notice, as a service to students:-

"In response to a request from the SRC the Australian National University Student Consumer Protection Society prepared a sign setting out the rights and liabilities of students who were members of non-members of the bookshop. The SRC had received complaints from students that they didn't know what they got when they be-

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# THE UNION SPEAKS

# Official Opening Of Union

All members are invited to attend the official opening of the new Building by the Minister for Education, The Hon. Kim Beazley, on Saturday, 31st March at 2.30 p.m.

This will be followed by afternoon tea at approximately 3.pm.

As the Union wishes to make this a memorable occasion, members will be entertained by a band of local musicians between approximately 3.30 to 6.30-p.m. when free amber liquid will be provided by Courage Breweries, the Union and the Sports Union. All members are invited to take **Courage** and come along.

# And Radio A.N.U.

Notwithstanding the availability of the Union for providing regular service, the official opening of Radio ANU will take place in the Union Refectory, on Friday, 30th March, 1973, at 2 p.m. Dr R.M. Williams, the Vice Chancellor of the University will officiate. All students and staff are invited and afternoon tea will be provided.



# General Information

The Societies Room will remain open for 24 hours a day for a trial period of approximately one month.

Various Union areas will be available for hire. All room bookings and tantative bookings for services which will be subject to confirmation by the Bar and Functions Manager, will be made at the Union Reception Desk on the first floor.

Members may bring their guests into the building, but will be responsible for ensuring that their own student number and the names and addresses of their guests are properly entered in the Visitors Book. Members are also responsible for the conduct of their guests.

It'is intented to run functions on a regular basis. Some of these will involve a small cover charge, depending upon the type of activities, but these will be previously announced.

A limited number of lockers will be available in the new building. Reservations will be accepted at the Reception Desk both in the present and new buildings. Three vacancies exist on the Board of Management: See advert on this page calling for nominations.

Three vacancies exist on the Development Committee and one on the House Committee. Applications to fill these vacancies should be submitted by 5 p.m. on 9th April, 1973, to the Secretary's Office.

#### Anti-pollution Measures

The following anti-pollution measures will be in operation in the new Union Building: 1. Milk served in1/3 pint bottles 2. 'Milk shakes served in aluminium containers. 3. Glasses used for all cold drinks, apart from flavoured milk.

4. Wooden spatulas used instead of spoons for teas and coffees.

5. Metal mesh waste paper baskets provided to ensure the separation of dry rubbish.

It is the Board's intention to develop part of the grounds of the new Union Building into a beer garden. Negotiations are continuing with the University with a view to providing this service as soon as possible.

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 Vending maching to vend bottles with a refundable deposit.

7. Plastic used only for wrapping sandwiches.

An area in the Refectory reserved for non-smokers.
 Glasses used in the bar for consumption of alcoholic beverages and soft drinks.
 10 Only returnable glass wine flagons be purchesed.

The Union is experimenting with the use of several vending machines which will dispense items in paper cups and plastic bags. This is a slight departure from the current anti-polution measures, but will be the subject of continuous revue by the Board of Management.

By the use of these machines, the Union is endeavouring to provide longer periods of service than would otherwise be possible.

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# A Letter

Dear Members,

Firstly, I would like to apologise on behalf of the Union Board of Mangement to Union Members for the inconvenience and delays they have exeprienced during the past three weeks in various Union services.

These delays have been especially apparent in the catering areas where long queues have characterised Snack Bar and Refectory service during heavy usage periods.

At a meeting held on 19 March, the Union Board felt that it had failed to ensure that the most effective provision for service was provided for these past few weeks of use in the Old Building. The Board felt that adequate steps had not been taken to implement the suggestions presented in a report prepared at the end of last year dealing with this matter.

The Board regrets that Union Members have had to suffer as a result of this failure to properly ensure provision for this transitional period. It would like to stress that in no way are Union Catering Staff to blame for service problems – and that their staff members should be congratulated on their efforts during the past few weeks.

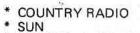
Members are asked to give every help possible to the Refectory staff during the short remaining period in the old building. Assistance in the removal of disposable cups plates and eating utensils to the proper receptacles would be greatly appreciated (members will be aware that these items are only being used until washing up facilities become available in the new building)

Secondly I would like to inform Union Members that no break in service will take place when the move across to the new building takes place in the near future. Notices will be displayed in the old building and a note included in the next copy of 'Bull Sheet' to inform members when service will commence in the new building.

While certain items of Refectory furniture ultimately will have to be moved – food will still be provided at this point until service can commence in the New Union Refectory.

NIGHTMARE FOLLIES PRESENT





- \* BOSTON BOOGLARISERS
- \* BOOTLEG MOVIES (Mick Jagger)
- \* POETRY READING
- \* BAR FACILITIES

#### 8.00 p.m. Saturday 24th March

Union Refectory

(Proceeds to Aquarius Nimbin Festival)



CENTER CINEMA

**GRAND PRIX - CANNES FESTIVAL** 

SUNDAY 1st APRIL at 6 and 8.30

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Unfortunately, further delays have been encountered in the finishing of certain areas of the building. The Board is anxious that these finishes should be properly completed before moving across, and is confident that members will understand all is being done to facilitate a move at the earliest possible date.

Patrick Power, Chairman, Union Board of Management.

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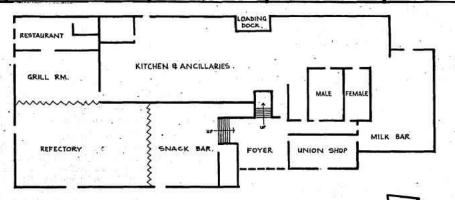
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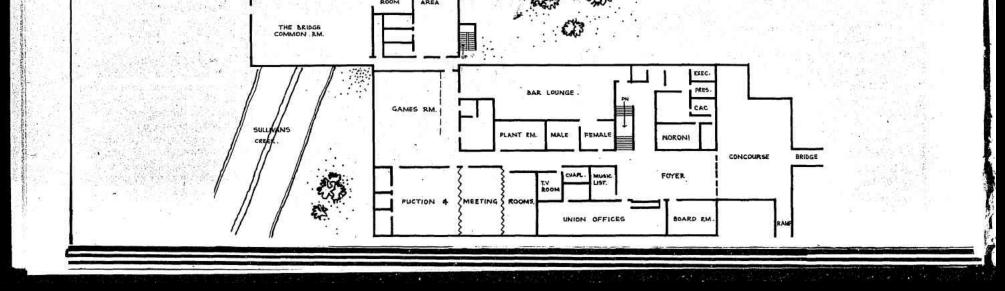
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Mon to Wed. incl.	12 noon to 2 pm 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm	10 am to 7 pm	12 noon to 3 pm 6 pm to **(2 m/n.	8.45 am to 12 midnight	12 noon to 10 pm	a	8.45 am to 10 pm
Thurs.	Ditto	Ditto	段61 2	Ditto	Ditto	5 pm to 12 midnight	8.45 am to 12 mid.
Fri.	12 noon to 2 pm	10 am to 7 pm	12 moon to 8 pm to 8 pm to 8 pm to 10 m to	8.45 am to 12 midnight	12 noon to 10 pm	Ditto	Ditto
Sat.			to 3 pm 6 pm to **12 m.n. Closing times dependent upon customer requirement.	11 am to 2 pm Accessible from the outside. Thereafter vending m/cs. only until 12 midnight.	2 pm to midnight	2 pm to 12 midnight	From 11 am to 7 pm for all rooms except Milkbar, Ref., Snack Bar. After 7 pm foyers, Bar, Milkbar, Function Rooms, Bridge- Common Room & Games Room until 12 midnight
Sun.				11 am to 2 pm Accessible from the outside. Thereafter			Closed, apart from Milkbar.



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